

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

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Under *current law*, farms that raise elk, red deer, caribou, reindeer, fallow deer, and related species must register with the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP); commercial hunting of the deer raised on these farms *is not* allowed. Farms that raise other species of deer must be licensed by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR); commercial hunting of the deer raised on these farms *is* allowed, under specified conditions.

2001 Senate Bill 307 repeals the DNR's deer farm licensing statute and expands the DATCP's deer farm registration statute to apply to all species of deer raised on a farm. In addition, it allows the owner of a deer farm registered with the DATCP to hunt and to sell or offer for sale the opportunity to hunt any species of deer on that farm, under specified conditions.

Senate Amendment 1 limits the hunting of deer on registered deer farms to white-tailed deer.

On January 31, 2002, the Senate Committee on Environmental Resources recommended adoption of Senate Amendment 1 by a vote of Ayes, 3; Noes, 2; and recommended passage of the bill, as amended, by a vote of Ayes, 5; Noes, 0.

On March 7, 2002, the Senate rejected Senate Amendment 1 by a vote of Ayes, 29; Noes, 4, and passed Senate Bill 307 unamended by a vote of Ayes, 29; Noes, 4.

The Assembly concurred in Senate Bill 307 on March 7, 2002, by a vote of Ayes, 99; Noes, 0.

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